



AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
GROUP 1642
PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: A7483

Xiao-Mai ZHOU

Appln. No.: 09/580,523

Group Art Unit: 1642

Confirmation No.: 8284

Examiner: Minh Tam Davis

Filed: May 30, 2000

For: COMPOUNDS AND METHODS FOR REGULATING APOPTOSIS, AND METHODS
OF MAKING AND SCREENING FOR COMPOUNDS THAT REGULATE APOPTOSIS

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated December 29, 2005, which set a three-month period for response. A petition and check for a two-month extension of time is submitted herewith, thus making a response due on or before May 30, 2006 (May 29th is a holiday in the District of Columbia). Please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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